Hello everyone,

I trust this newsletter finds you all well and enjoying the beautiful if somewhat cooler weather.

At Broadmeadows Valley Primary school the teachers continuously implement a range of assessments with the students throughout the teaching and learning program so that they are able to clearly determine what each student’s learning needs are. This information and knowledge about every student is shared with parents in the June Reports. For some of our parents with children commencing school for the first time this year, it will be the first school report that your child receives. We know that it will provide you with lots of information about how your child is presenting and performing at school.

BVPS student reports provide you with an accurate picture of your child’s progress. They are used in all Victorian government schools to report student achievements from Foundation to Year 10. You will receive a report twice a year and be invited to a parent-teacher interview in June, the 21st to be exact!!

Save the date for this opportunity to discuss your child's progress.

Broadmeadows Valley Primary School encourages parents to be actively involved in their child's education and welcomes discussions between teachers and parents so that everyone is working together to support your child's learning.

A parent-teacher interview enables you to:

* discuss how your child is progressing, both academically & socially
* see examples of your child’s work
* get to know your child’s teacher
* stay informed about plans for your child’s future learning.

I would like to extend a very big thank you to all the parents, teachers and friends of our community who are supporting the Broadmeadows Valley Café. It’s fantastic to see the many regulars who are enjoying the hot drinks and snacks on offer. We encourage you to keep supporting the café and invite you to bring a friend with you the next time you come to our community space.

I wish you a great weekend and I look forward to seeing you next week.

Regards

Carmela
The preps in LN1 have been learning Spanish through play, art, dance and song. Their focus this term is on introducing themselves, recognising and identifying the parts of their face and identifying different parts of their body in Spanish.

Labeeb - “Me llamo Labeeb” (My name is Labeeb).
Zena - “Some parts of the face are ojos, boca, nariz y orejas.”

They have also been working on identifying and saying different colours in Spanish.
Luan - “Verde is green.”
Savio - “Amarillo is yellow.”
Samad - “Rojo is red.”

What can you do at home?

You can use Spanish common phrases when completing daily activities.

Hello - Hola
Thank you - Gracias
Sorry - Perdon
Yes - Si
Please - Por favor

Our prep Spanish sessions run on Tuesday mornings between 9.15-10.45am in the Play Based Learning room. Feel free to come along, have a look and join in the learning. If you have any questions about the Spanish program feel free to speak to Marina or Jamielee.

Adiós
Amy, Jamielee, Cyndi, Wendy and Rob LN1

We were so lucky to have a large number of our students invited to attend the Melbourne Recital Centre for an excursion. The students who participate in Musical Futures attended a concert and had a special visit to ACM! Don’t forget to sign and return the note for our next exciting excursion to the 100 story building. LN2

Here are some photos and some quotes from the students from LN3.

Today, LN3 completed 3 science experiments. They all had to do with chemical reactions. My favourite was with Mrs Youlden called the “Melting Ice”. We had to guess which blocks of ice would melt the fastest and provide reasons why – Jay

The chemical reaction experiment was really exciting because when the baking soda and vinegar mixed with each other, the balloon exploded all over me! – Delmon

The vinegar and baking soda experiment was awesome, together we worked in groups, the balloon went crazy. It was fun to see how different chemicals react with each other. – Rheanne

It was awesome, that the balloon after the experiment popped and went all over Mrs Vella. It was hilarious - Anthony

The melting ice experiment was great. We put ice on a chopping board to see if it would melt as quick as one in a frying pan. It was a great way to understand how a solid becomes a liquid and then into a gas. My prediction was perfect! – Negin
We had to get ice and put it on three different saucepans, we had to predict what would melt faster.
My predictions were correct. It was really fun. - Amran
It was awesome how the chemicals in diet coke and in Mentos exploded. My prediction was correct. I thought a chemical reaction would explode the liquid everywhere. All of the experiments were really fun. - Al-Jay

My favourite science experiment was all of them. They were all cool and exciting. It taught us about solids, liquids and gas and how they can have transform when they mix with each other or when heat is added – Cohen

The best experiment was when we were with Mrs Vella. It was fun until it went all over Brianna. We had to pour vinegar into a Coke glass bottle and pour baking soda into a balloon which made a big, bubbly explosion. We made a Diet Coke volcano with Miss DePetro! It was fun afternoon. – Tanya

Next Friday is the last day to bring in your deposit for the 2016 School Camp at Coonawarra. Make sure you bring in your note to secure your child's place!

State Schools’ Relief Prep CSEF uniform support

Program background

As part of the Victorian Government’s Affordable Uniform Program, every Prep government school student who is a recipient of the Camps, Sports and Excursion Fund (CSEF) automatically qualifies for a uniform pack voucher. Each year, State Schools’ Relief (SSR) provides tens of thousands of children with school clothing, shoes and other essential items.

For the first time SSR has received government funding so that it can help more families needing financial assistance, and ensure no one is left behind.

Eligibility requirements for CSEF can be found at


BREKFAST CLUB
Reminder to all Families

Breakfast Club is held on Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday and Friday morning. Opening at 8.15am and closing at 8.45. All students welcome.

Calendar
Term 2

Every Friday
Conversational English Classes
Fridays 9.15 - 11.15am in "The Hub" (LN1)
FREE!
Child minding available

Whole School Excursion
27th May
The Long Walk

LN2 Excursion
30th May
1st June
2nd June
100 Story Building

LN1 Excursion
Science Works
31st May

Birthdays

Happy Birthday

Thomas T
Baris S
Mussa A
Molly S
Mohamad A
Bilal M
Notice Board

BOOK FAIR
COMING SOON
LN 3 Time Away Room
WEDNESDAY 1st June TO
MONDAY 6th June
OPEN DAILY
8.30AM - 9.00AM.
3.30PM - 4.15PM.
Come along and purchase from a
great range of books and knick knacks.

Reminder to all Families

School Levy is due now and being taken at the office. Financial assistance may be available to parents if they meet the criteria. Contact the office for more information 9309 4066

If you hold a valid means-tested concession card or are a temporary foster parent, you may be eligible for CSEF. A special consideration category also exists for asylum seeker and refugee families. The allowance is paid to the school to use towards expenses relating to camps, excursions or sporting activities for the benefit of your child.

Contact the school office to obtain a CSEF application form or contact the school's general office on 9309 4066 for more information.